2001

Practitioner's Docket No.: 892 001

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Kenji Ono

Ser. No.: 09/091,788

Group Art Unit: 3651

Filed: September 8, 1998

Examiner: Sharma, R.

For:

May-02-2001

SELF-PROPELLED VEHICLE

CERTIFICATION OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to Examiner Sharma at (703) 308-2577 in the Patent and Trademark Office on **/20**01.

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

**AMENDMENT** 

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 3, 2001, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

110'00 CR TIGHTHOHY 00000001

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 1.

Please add new claim 14 as follows:

[new] A self-propelled vehicle comprising a driving portion which selectively fives the vehicle forward or backward, a/seat which is swivelable or removable, a steering portion which comprises at least one steerable wheel and at least one steering handle, the steering handle being rotatable from/one side of a hinge point to an opposite side of the hinge point, whereby the vehicle can be operated forward or backward by an operator riding on the vehicle and the vehicle can be run backward with an operator not riding on the vehicle.

Please amend claims 2, 5, 7 and 9-13 to be dependent on claim 14, i.e., to read as follows:

2. (Thrice Amended) The self-propelled vehicle as set forth in Claim comprising a truck portion, wherein the driving portion and the steering portion are disposed at a front wheel portion, and in that the front-wheel portion is disposed at a front end portion of the

anck portion

S. 8